

THE  
DECLARATION

OF

The LORDS and COMMONS Assembled  
in Parliament, concerning His Maiesties

LETTER.

AND

The Petition of diverse Noblemen, Gentlemen,  
Burgesses and Ministers, to the Privy Councell  
of Scotland.

Likewise severall passages concerning the Lord  
Keeper of the Great Seale of England.

As also an Order for the Searching and Staying of  
all Armes, Ammunition, Powder, Light-Horses,  
or any other provision that shall be car-  
ried towards the North Part of  
ENGLAND.

Mercurii, 15. 1642.

*Ordered by the Lords and Commons assembled in Parlia-  
ment, that this Declaration, with the particulars, be forth  
with Printed and published.*

John Brown, Cler. Parliamentor.

London Printed for Joseph Hunscomb and  
John Wright. 1642.



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The President of the American Congress  
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## The Declaration of the Lords and Commons Assembled in Parliament.

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*Die Mercurii 15. Junii. 1642.*

**T**He Lords and Commons in Parliament, have perused a Printed Paper under this Title, *A Letter sent from the Kings Majesty, to the Lords of the Privie Counsell, of the Kingdome of Scotland*, bearing in the Front, the appearance of his Majesties usuall Signature, and in the bottome this date, Given at our Court at *Yorke*, the twenty of *May*, 1642. As likewise another Paper in the forme of a Petition, with this Inscription, To the the right Honourable the Lords of his Majesties Privy Counsell. The humble Petition of many Noblemen, Gentlemen, Burgeses, and Ministers, occasionally meeting at *Ederbrough*; and having beene credibly informed, that they are true Copies of a Letter, &c a Petition sent and delivered as the severall Titles import. Upon mature consideration of the matter therein contained, doe declare and protest, that those sufferings expressed in the Papers, betwixt his Majestie and Parliament, can not justly be imputed to any actions or intentions of ours, who have indeavoured with all fidelity, to procure the happinesse of his Majesty

and of this Kingdome, and that we are not guilty of laying upon the King any such calumnies and aspersions as are mentioned in that Paper, and seeme to reflect upon us, but on the contrary, have laboured to take the blame from his Majesty, and to lay it upon his evill Councell;

And as touching the Petition aforementioned, we doe with much contentment and thankfulness, observe the faithfulness and good affection of our Brethren of *Scotland*, in seeking to prevent all jealousies, and to preserve the Peace betwixt the two Nations, so timely expressed to the Lords of the Councell: whereby the hopes of those, who practised to have drawne from their Lordships some Declaration, to the prejudice of this Kingdome were frustrated. And we shall never cease, to answer this great care of theirs, with the like earnest and diligent endeavours, to promote the Honour, Wealth, and prosperrie of that Nation, and preserve that Union so strongly, fortified by publike and mutuall interest and affection on both sides. And we desire that our Commissioners may give notice to the Scottish Commissioners, how heartily and joyfully we doe imbrace the kindnesse of that Kingdome, manifested in that Petition, and Order this Declaration to bee forthwith Printed, that so it may be published to the whole Kingdome of *Scotland*; hoping that this constant and inviolable amity betwixt us, will not onely conduce to the safety and honour of both Kingdomes, but prove very usefull for the advantage and security of the Protestant Religion in other parts.



Primo Martii, 1641.

## Lord KEEPER Present.

Both Houses petitioned the King, wherein is  
this Clause, *viz.*

**W** Herefore they are inforced in all humility,  
to protest, that if your Majestie shall persist  
in that denyall, the dangers and distempers of the  
Kingdome are such, as will endure no delay, but un-  
lesse you shall be graciously pleased to assure to  
them by their Messengers, that you will speedily  
apply your Royall assent to the satisfaction of their  
former desires, they shall be inforced for the safety  
of your Maiestie and your Kingdomes to dispose  
of the Militia, by the Authority of both Houses, in  
such manner as hath beene propounded to your  
Maiestie, And they resolve to doe it accordingly.

15. Martii. 1641.

The Lord Keeper present and Voted and  
agreed for this following Vote. *Viz.*

**T** Hat in the case of extreame danger and of his  
Maiesties refusall, The Ordinance agreed on  
by both Houses doth oblige the people, and

ought to be obeyed by the fundamentall Lawes of this Kingdome.

Thirdly, he named his Deputy Lieutenants, and sent Lieut. names to the House of Commons, and often asked the Clerk of the Peers House for his deputations, And commanded him to deliver them to one of his servants, which he accordingly did in his presence.

25 Martii 1641.

Lord Keeper present.

Fourthly he agreed to the severall formes of Deputations for the Militia.



Die Sabbtii 11. Iunii, 1642.

It is this day Ordered by the Lords in Parliament assembled; That a strict search and Examination shall be made by the Iustices of the Peace, Maiors, Baylifs, Constables and other his Maiesties Officers inhabiting, or neere adioyning to all the Northerne Roades, for the stopping and staying of all Armes, Ammunition, Powder, Light-horses, or Horses of service in the warree, and great saddles, that are or shall be carryed towards the North of *England*, but by the privitie and direction

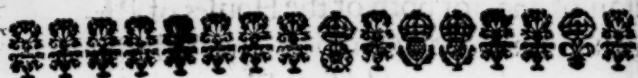
rection of one, or both of the Houses of Parliament, And that the said Officers shall stay them, accordingly, and speedily give information thereof unto one of the Houses of Parliament:



*Mercurii 15. Junii 1642.*

Ordered by the Lords in Parliament, that these particulars shall bee forthwith Printed and published.

**I. B. Cleric. Parliam.**



# THE PROTESTATION Of

the Gentry, Ministers, Free-holders, and other  
Inhabitants in the County of Yorke, against a  
Petition drawn up in the name of the Coun-  
ty, bearing date the 3d. of *June*, 1642.

**W** Hereas there is a Printed Petition (intituled, To the  
Right Honourable the Lords and Commons Assem-  
bled in Parliament. The Humble Petition of the  
Gentry, Ministers, Free-holders, and other substantiall Inhabi-  
tants of this County of Yorke) spread abroad in the County,  
which we conceive to be a great wrong and scandall to all well  
affected persons, not onely in respect of the matter thereof,  
which we utterly dislike, as laying an imputation on the Parlia-  
ment, in not giving life to the Lawes of the Land, and in char-  
ging them to be the cause of the distractions of this Kingdome;  
But also that it was never presented to the Country at the gene-  
rall meeting the 3. of *June*, albeit it was printed the next day, &  
since read in divers Churches; We whose names as here subscri-  
bed, doe hereby make our Protestation against the said Petition,  
as no way ever approved on by us, or agreeing with our sence.  
And we doe hereby further declare, that wee shall (according  
to our Protestation lately taken by us) with our lives and for-  
tunes defend his Majesties Royall Person, Honour and Estate,  
and also the power and priviledge of Parliament, together with  
the rights and liberties of the Subjects; of which Rights and  
Liberties wee conceive the Priviledges of Parliament to be the  
chiefe.

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